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POLLUTION REPORT

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POLREP NO: Eighteen (18)
INCIDENT NAME: Ringwood Mines
SITE NO: 62
POLLUTANT: Lead Paint Sludges
CLASSIFICATION: Major
SOURCE: Ford International Services, Inc.
LOCATION: Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey
AMOUNT: Approximately 7500 tons
WATER BODY: Groundwater

1. SITUATION:

A. Paint sludges from the automotive industry were disposed of in a large mine area in Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey.

B. Based upon the concentration of lead in the EP Toxicity leachates, the paint sludge exhibits the characteristics of a hazardous waste as promulgated in 40 CFR, 261, Subpart C (USEPA hazardous waste number D008).

C. A consent order was signed by Ford International Services, Inc. accepting responsibility for the total site clean-up.

D. Four areas containing solidified paint sludge have been designated as pits A, B, C and D. Pits A, B, and D are located on-site and are being excavated first. Pit C, located at an isolated area off site, will be addressed last.

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. Activity at area A has been temporarily stopped. Soil

sampling is expected to begin in a week.

B. Backfilling of area B has been completed. Soil sampling is expected to begin in a week.

C. Remaining stockpiles of dirt at area C have been shipped.

D. Backfilling of area D has been completed.

E. The following shipments of contaminated dirt were made:

February 2, 1988, twenty three (23) truckloads, 804,000 lbs. (402 ton).

February 3, 1988, eleven (11) truckloads, 440,000 lbs. (220 tons).

F. EPA continues to monitor PRP activities.

3. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Pending the analytical results from soil samples taken from each area.

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